

Charter Township of Orion

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Orion Safety Path Advisory Committee - Regular Meeting

Tuesday, January 13, 2015 - 7:00 p.m. - Township Hall

Approved Minutes

1. Call to Order at 7:04 PM

2. Roll Call

Brinkmann, Michael (Secretary)	Present
Cook, Tony (Treasurer)	Present
Cotter, B.C. (Vice Chair)	Present
Flood, Michael (Non-Voting)	Present
Katers, Jessica (OHM - Twp Engr)	Present
Lee, Gerry	Present
Reynolds, Taylor (Chair)	Present
Richards, Jerry	Excused
Steele, Donni (Board Representative)	Present
Stout, Jeff (Operations Director)	Present

3. Determination of a Quorum (min 4) - Yes; 7/7 voting members present

4. Approval of Minutes for November 11, 2014 Meeting

Motion:

by Brinkmann, second by Steele, to approve November 11, 2014 Minutes

Motion passed 7 - 0

5. Approval of Agenda for January 13, 2015 Meeting

Motion:

by Steele, second by Reynolds, to approve January 13, 2014 Agenda as submitted.

Motion passed 7 - 0

6. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items – 3 Minute limit per person - There was no public comment.

7. New Business

A. 2015 Maintenance – One Quadrant Annually

Maintenance projects undertaken and completed in 2014 addressed all of the major maintenance items for existing safety paths in the Township except a) the repairs identified for Joslyn along the Indianwood Golf Course, b) the repairs for Heights just east of Pine Tree and c) the re-grading of the hill on the north side of Indianwood, just west of Joslyn. Funding for the 2014 repairs was provided from the Restricted Safety Path Fund.

The Maintenance projects for 2014 will address the northwest quadrant of the Township, which includes the Joslyn, Heights and Indianwood repairs mentioned above. There are only enough funds in the Restricted Safety Path Fund to do the Joslyn repairs; the remaining, if they are to be done in 2015, would have to be funded from the Unrestricted Safety Path Fund.

Katers reported that the Road Commission of Oakland County (RCOC) was not interested in having the Township pay them to do additional crosswalk stripe painting that the Township might wish to add to their current commitments. At the next meeting OHM agreed to a) update previous estimates for the Joslyn and Indianwood work and b) provide RCOC location data for paint striping in the Township - for further discussion /planning in the February OSPAC Meeting.

B. Clarkston Road in Independence Township (Stout)

Per Committee recommendation the Orion Township Board of Trustees authorized construction of pathway on the north side of Clarkston Road from Baldwin Road to the Township Line. Cost for this project is estimated at \$393,620. There was no response from Independence Township on adding pathway in their Township to this project in order to provide an unbroken connection on Clarkston between Orion and Independence Township.

B. 2016 Lapeer Road Resurfacing

Originally Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) planned to provide pathway along both sides of Lapeer from Brown to Clarkston for this project. Due to lack of funds, however, plans now call for pathway along *most* of the east side only. The area between Bald Mountain State Park entrance and Greenshield is problematic and will probably have to be done by the Township if it is done at all.

8. Pending Business

A. 2015 Membership - The Board has not selected an alternate for the OSPAC. Other than one early applicant, no one else has applied.

B. 2015 Officers

Motion:

by Steele, second by Lee, for the following OSPAC officers for 2015:

Chair	Reynolds
Vice Chair	Cotter
Secretary	Brinkmann
Treasurer	Cook

Motion passed 7 - 0

C. Financial Review (Brinkmann)

A summary of Safety Path Fund Revenue vs Expenditure through 10/31/14 was provided (see attached).

D. Rolling Meadows Signs (Steele)

Signs to direct Maybee Road cyclists and walkers around the wetlands just east of Rohr Road (where there is a break in continuity of the Maybee pathway) were discussed. Six to eight signs would be required (approximate cost \$1200) and would be mounted on existing street signs. Stout and Katers to investigate what is required to get this done.

E. Indianwood Ph III – N. Side Paint Creek to Jackson Oaks – Design Update/Easement Update

Easement acquisition documents have been drafted. Followup is ongoing.

F. Indianwood Ph IV – S. Side Joslyn to Fernhurst – Design/Easement Update

Easement acquisition documents have been drafted. Followup is ongoing.

G. Clarkston Road Ph II – N. Side Baldwin to W Twp Line – Design/Easement Update

Easement acquisition documents have been drafted. Heather Lake Subdivision portion is no problem. There are four other easements in addition to Heather Lake. Followup is ongoing.

H. Clarkston Road Ph I - N. Side Polly Ann to Pine Tree – 30 % Design

Affected owners have not been contacted as project is so far in the future.

9. Organization Reports

A. Planning Commission (OHM)

Katers will update the Committee on the Pomeroy Sub-division at the next meeting

B. Paint Creek /Polly Ann (Steele)

Paint Creek Trail Commission has an opening for a new member. There is ongoing work to complete the "purple connector" to facilitate Paint Creek to Polly Ann Trail connection via Bald Mountain State Park. The Township has purchased a property at 2510 Orion Road to aid in that effort.

10. Committee Comment

Cook: suggested Committee consider assigning inspection responsibility for maintenance quadrants to Committee members at a future meeting. Flood: Township is modeling Clay Township 5-year project work re fragmite elimination. A specific Ordinance, updating the existing weed ordinance and a resolution are all being considered. Katers: A meeting is in the offing for showcasing Governor Snyder's trans-state trail proposal and explaining anticipated routes and funding. Cotter: Indicated April Green Expo Day may be a good place to recruit future OSPAC members. Cotter agreed to find the date of the Expo.

11. Adjournment

Motion:

by Reynolds, second by Brinkmann, to adjourn

Motion passed 7 - 0

Meeting adjourned at 8:53

Next Meeting: February 10, 2015 @ 7:00 pm @ Township Hall